

- 1 1. A method for tracking patient data, the method comprising:
 - 2 providing a host computer for storing patient data thereon;
 - 3 transmitting the patient data to the host computer via a network, which is operably
 - 4 connected to the host computer;
 - 5 storing the patient data on the host computer; and
 - 6 providing access to the patient data via a client computer, which is operably
 - 7 connected to the network, in response to receiving a request from a practitioner.
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- 9 2. The method of claim 1, wherein storing patient data comprises storing a medical
- 10 history of a patient.
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- 12 3. The method of claim 1, wherein storing patient data comprises storing preferences of
- 13 the patient.
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- 15 4. The method of claim 1, wherein storing patient data comprises storing a treatment
- 16 plan for a patient.
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- 18 5. The method of claim 3, further comprising tracking patient compliance with the
- 19 treatment plan.
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- 21 6. The method of claim 1, wherein storing patient data further comprises storing patient
- 22 data in response to examining a patient.
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- 24 7. The method of claim 1, wherein storing patient data further comprises storing patient
- 25 data in response to treating a patient.
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- 1 8. The method of claim 1, further comprising transmitting billing statements to an
- 2 insurance carrier over the network, wherein the billing statements correspond to fees for
- 3 care given to a patient.
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- 5 9. The method of claim 6, further comprising automatically generating and transmitting
- 6 the billing statements in response to inputting billing codes to the host computer.
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- 8 10. The method of claim 1, wherein receiving a request from the practitioner further
- 9 comprises receiving an access code from the practitioner, wherein the access code is
- 10 provided to the practitioner by a patient.
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- 12 11. An apparatus for integrated patient care, the apparatus comprising:
 - 13 a patient module configured to display a treatment plan on a client computer and
 - 14 receive input from a patient corresponding to progress of the patient in following the
 - 15 treatment plan;
 - 16 a practitioner module configured to monitor the progress of the patient in
 - 17 following the treatment plan; and
 - 18 an office module configured to transmit billing statements corresponding to the
 - 19 treatment plan to an insurance carrier.
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- 21 12. The apparatus of claim 11, wherein the patient module is further configured to
- 22 receive input from the patient corresponding to patient preferences.
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- 24 13. The apparatus of claim 11, wherein the patient module is further configured to
- 25 provide reference data to the patient.
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1 14. The apparatus of claim 11, wherein the practitioner module is further configured to
2 provide interactive training to a practitioner.
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4 15. The apparatus of claim 11, wherein the practitioner module further comprises
5 practitioner organization tools.
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7 16. The apparatus of claim 11, wherein the practitioner module further comprises
8 reference tools.
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10 17. The apparatus of claim 11, wherein the office module is further configured to order
11 products in response to observing reduced inventory.
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13 18. The apparatus of claim 11, wherein the office module is further configured to
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1 19. A system for integrated patient care, the system comprising:

2 at least one client computer;

3 a host computer, operably connected to the at least one client computer via a

4 network;

5 a database residing on the host computer;

6 a patient module configured to receive a treatment plan from the database, display

7 the treatment plan on the at least one client computer, and store input from a patient

8 corresponding to progress of the patient in following the treatment plan in the database;

9 a practitioner module configured to monitor the progress of the patient in

10 following the treatment plan and store data corresponding to the progress of the patient in

11 the database, and is further configured to provide interactive training to a practitioner; and

12 an office module configured to transmit billing statements corresponding to the

13 treatment plan to an insurance carrier, and is further configured to order products in

14 response to observing reduced inventory.

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16 20. The apparatus of claim 19, wherein the office module is further configured to

17 generate reports in response to receiving patient data.